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METHOD OF ASSEMBLY

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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.132

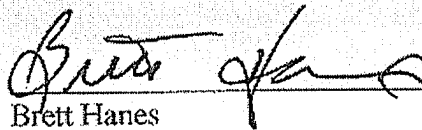
This is a Declaration submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.132. I, Brett Hanes, state as follows:

1. I am a Senior Research Engineer employed by JL Audio, Inc., the assignee of the above-identified patent application (the "128 Application"). I have a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and have been working in the area of loudspeaker design, assembly and manufacturing for 12+ years.

2. I am familiar with the method of assembly of the loudspeaker described and shown in U.S. Patent No. 6,219,431, which is owned by the assignee of the '128 Application. The method of assembly of such speaker is substantially as described at pages 2-4 of the specification of the '128 Application. The "moving assembly" of that speaker, i.e. its upper and lower suspensions, the voice coil and the diaphragm, is not assembled as a separate unit and then connected to the frame and the motor structure as called for in the claims of the '128 Application.

3. The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, or

any patent resulting therefrom, declares that all statements made of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.



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